

April 11, 1983

LR 10
LB 631

CLERK: 34 ayes, 6 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to suspend the rules and allow for introduction of a new bill.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries and the bill will be allowed to be introduced.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bill, LB 631 offered by Senators DeCamp, Chronister and Pappas. (Read title for the first time as found on page 1421 of the Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Very well. The bill has been read on first reading and now we move to...do you have anything on the desk, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: No, sir, I do not.

PRESIDENT: We move then to item 8 on the agenda, General File, priority bills, LR 10.

CLERK: Mr. President, LR 10 was introduced by Senator Emil Beyer. (Read resolution). The resolution was referred and read for the first time on January 14th, Mr. President. It was referred to the Constitutional Revision and Recreation Committee. It was advanced to General File.

PRESIDENT: Senator Beyer.

SENATOR BEYER: Mr. President and members, I think that if you have been following the news articles and everything on what other states are doing, that this is the time that we have to consider a lottery for the State of Nebraska. The proposed amendment that I have would put it to a vote of the people at the next election, and the express purpose of providing revenue for the state. Now I know the Attorney General has put out an opinion that the Constitution does not prohibit the operation of a state lottery if the procedure is used for charitable and community betterment purposes. So at this time what I am going to do is ask that you go ahead and move this to Select File and then we will be able to act on LB 336 when it comes up which is a lottery bill and at that time we will be able to see if we can get a lottery into effect as soon as possible. The reason that I support a lottery is that it seems the states around us are going to it and it is becoming a drain on our bordering areas to take money out of the state and put in other states, so we might as well have it. At this time I would ask your support in moving this to Select File. Thank you.